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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

ALEX LEVIN, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/814,398

Filed: March 31, 2004

For: **A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ANALOG
COMPENSATION OF DRIVER OUTPUT SIGNAL
SLEW RATE AGAINST DEVICE IMPEDANCE
VARIATION**

Art Group: 2817

Examiner:

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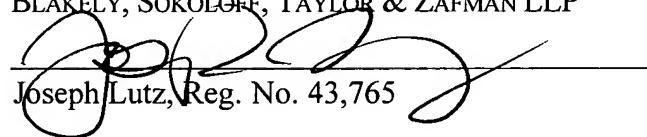
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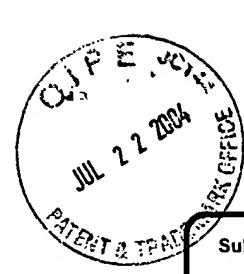
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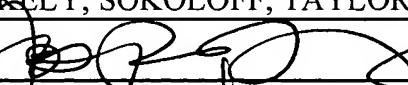
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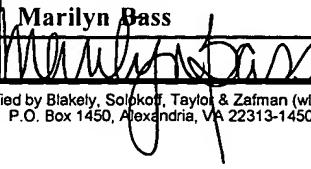
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1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee
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1203	290	2203	145	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
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2053	130	2053 130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920 *	1804 920 * Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
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1404	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal	
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1801	770	2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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